the Home of Reviving Metal Mines

mountains and Utah lake is one of the most prosperous cities in the west-American Fork, the Home of Reviving Mines. A resume of its activity is a summary of the business conditions of much of that district lying between Salt Lake and Provo, for though American Fork is not the only city intervening, its four thousand population makes possible greater strides than some other towns are capable of. Pleasant Grove is three miles to the east, and Lehi the same distance at the north; and in fact there is already a municipal economy existing between the three cities.

It is not generally known that the earliest settlers of American Fork went first to what is now Springville, and becoming disatisfied with prospects there returned to this city. They had been called out by Prest. Brigham young under the colonizing system original with that astute leader in the year 1850, three years after the Mormons had entered the valley. Among them, were Stephen and Washburn Chipman, Arza Adams, John Singleton, William Greenwood, John and Horace Eldredge.

Rude huts of logs, thatch and dirt were constructed: defense was made against the Indians; the meadow grass and the sagebrush were disturbed; seeds were planted and the village life begun. The first white child born in the vicinity was Ann Singleton, who died last year in Emery county. A small store was started by Thomas McKenzie and even though butter. eggs and grain constituted the legal tender, a lively business was estab-

CITY FIFTY-FIVE YEARS OLD. On June 4, 1853, the city was incorporated, the first mayor being L. E. Harrington, who was at the time, a representative in the state legislature, which position he held until 1882. Wm. Greenwood, Arza Adams and others were members of the first city council. Through the influence of L. E.

Harrington a peculiar provision appeared in the first city charter—one which for 19 years gave American Fork a unique position among the cities of the state. The city was granted the power to run schools by local tayation local taxation

In the original charter, this paragraph appears:
"Sec. 11. The city council shall have power and authority to establish, sup-port and regulate common schools; to borrow money on the credit of the city; provided that no sum or sums of money be borrowed on a greater interest than 6 per cent per annum, nor shall the interest on the aggregate of all the sums borrowed and outstanding ever exceed one-half of the city revenue arising from taxes assessed on the real estate within this corporation."

CENTRAL SCHOOLHOUSES.

The present school system of American Fork is one of the best in the state. Following the method chosen by other districts, the city has done away with the old small scattered school buildings and has brought all the grades together under a supervision impossible by the old system. There are three large school buildings which occupy a central block, all of them heated by steam and equipped with modern improvements. The primary building is known as Harrington Hall; the intermediate-grades building is called Forbes hall, so named in honor of Joseph B. Forbes who was the first of Joseph B. Forbes who was the first teacher in the free school, and who has taught school in American Fork for 42 years; and the high school building is known as Science hall. American Fork has spent over 50,000 in school buildings fact which shows partly why Utah has come third in the educational honor of the United States. Other cities have done just as well; but this shows

fecting the educational system of the city—George B. Cunningham, Eli J. Clayson and Joseph B. Forbes.

MUNICIPAL ROSTER

cities of Utah when one considers only the general progressiveness of its of-ficials. The officers are as follows: James Gardner, Mayor; B. Y. Greenwood, Eli J. Clayson, Lafayette Parker, John Hunter, A. K. Thornton, council: John B. Forbes, recorder; J. M. Thornton, treasurer; S. P. Logsden, marshal; George Cunningham, justice of the peace. These are all men of patriotism, push and ability—characteristics found push and ability—call definition of every leading city. There is no "graft," no quarreling, no jealousy here; everyone is working for American Fork.

The city enjoys nearly all of the modulations of the modulation of the modulation of the modulation.

are both situated in American Fork canyon. A third power plant is about to be built at Alpine in Dry creek.

The power coming from these plants is used for various purposes in and about the three cities above named. It is carried even as far as Mam-moth, where it is used in the mines; and at times it is utilized in pumping water from Utah lake into the Sait Lake canal.

The people pay a reasonable rate for their light service, receiving three 16-candle power lights per month for \$1. The city itself receives enough from its interest in the company to light the

PURE WATER SUPPLY.

date, \$35,000. A tract has just been purchased immediately above the city, in order to tap some springs there. This new supply will make the total water sufficient for a population of 75,-000: and, besides, the springs are of such height that 50 feet more pressure will be added, making the total water pressure 125 feet. Thu one sees that in many ways American Fork is pre-paring for that greater future which wise and observant citizens have long

Many of the larger business house in American Fork have paved the walks in front; also some of the side-walks on the side streets are paved. The school district alone spent \$1,500 in this direction last year; and undoubtedly the city will soon give the matter serious consideration. When a town has a population of the size of American Fork, it invariably begins to present a metropolitan air.
Already American Fork has two city

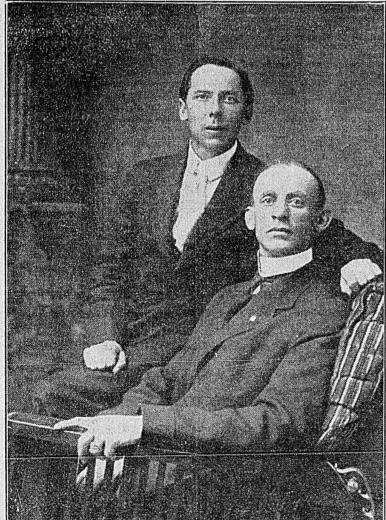
and another of 11 acres on the east side, ande. parks, one of 30 acres on the east side,

It is not unlikely that in the near future a railroad will be constructed from American Fork up the canyon, the matter already having been con-sidered by Mr. Jacobs and others of Salt Lake, who have already secured options on the old wagon road. Years ago, in 1870, there was a railroad up the canyon, but with he decline of mining activity the road was abandoned, torn up and sold for old iron.

The resources about American Fork consist motly of farming products such as sugar beets, hay, potatoes, peaches and apples. There are not many big farms in the community, but most of the people seem to be prosperous.

Land is selling fast in this veilnity, the reviving of the mines leading many to believe that American Fork will become one of the principal business cities of the state.

Very little has been said of late years American Fork's mines-that is which is about 23 miles from the city; but the reanimation taking place there makes the subject of special interest. In fact the general public has never become sufficiently interested to make a thorough investigation of the neighborhood, and this of course is the secret of the immense wealth amassed by a few American Fork individuals. They



J. L. DUNKLEY AND M. O. RANDOLPH BROKERAGE CO., AMERI-

With the advent of increased mining | special attention to American Fork activity in American Fork canyon, a new brokerage company has arisen in the city, consisting of two men who are

Especially adapted to give all information required by dealers in stocks.

They are, in fact, experts.

M. O. Randolph and J. L. Dunkley are these men woh conduct the branch office of Child, Cole & Company, Salt Lake's well known brokers. The Randolh-Dunkley company has elegantly furnished offices in the Progress building, and are in continual communica-

Mr. Dunkley, who has been in business in American Fork for seven years, is one of the promoters of the Pacific Gold Mining & Milling company, while Mr. Randolph was instrumental in promoting the Clipper and Silver King of American Fork canyon.

The company also has on sale some of the Carey act lands of Millard county, 90 miles south of the city.

In every way the members of the ing, and are in continual communica-tion by phone with the Sait Lake Min-are efficient; and a successful future ing exchange. Of course, they give is undoubtedly in store for them.

The present number of teachers is 22 with salaries ranging from \$40 to \$135. Henry W. Soules is principal of the high school; Osmond Justinson is district supervisor; Miss Lottie Owens is supervisor of music; and Miss Clarice Arnold of Van Wood, Ohio, is supervisor of the primary department.

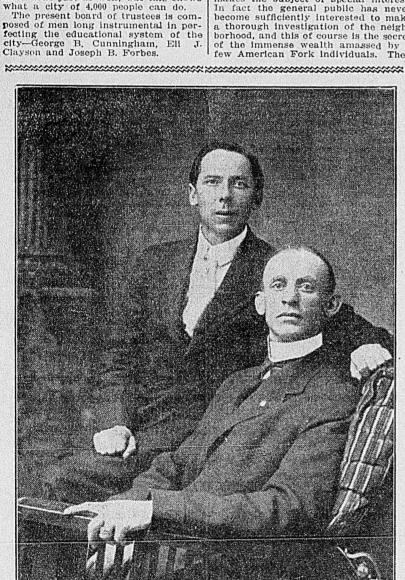
American Fork ranks high among the

ern improvements and conveniences. It has an electric light system which is owned, partly by individuals and part-ly by American Fork, Pleasant Grove and Lehi—the three sister cities. The service at present comes from two plants which cost about \$200,000. They

From the bed of American Fork creek at a point just above the city, comes the pure water used by the town, in a system that has cost, to date 125,000 A treet has just been

AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES.

ACTIVITY IN MINING.



CAN FORK.

stocks; but can give instant service on any Salt Lake exchange stock.

Sawmill at Dutchman Mine.

backbone of the Wasatch range at

the head of American Fork canyon. Park City being about 10 miles to the northeast and Alta a few miles over

the divide to the south. The Mountain Lake property is in fact just over the

SOME MINING HISTORY.

the same experiencese that have char-acterized the development of the American Fork mines—abnormal ac-

tivity, a lapse, and a renemal of opera-tions. However, there have been many

interesting features about the American Fork district that distinguish it

from others. Far back in 1870, or thereabout, a

man named Miller investigated the properties of the canyon, and oventually organized the Miller Mining & Sinelter company, Judge R. N. Baskin of Salt Lake, Col. Aspenwall of

New York and others prominent in

mining circles being connected with him in the venture. The center of activity was what has become known as "Miller Hill," which still receives most of the attention given the district. The project in 1870 was of course considered right in and necessarily proceed with

gigantic, and necessarily created quite a flurry in the mining world. The ex-citement was augmented by the ex-

pensive improvements and extravagant expenditures made by Col. Aspenwall's

son, who had been sent out to man-

age the property. Among the many big things the son accomplished was the building of both a smelter and a rail-

road, the latter extending as far as

Deer creek. Many men who have stu-died the situation attribute the final failure of the Miller Mining & Smelt-

er company to these hasty and lavish

with mushroom rapidity, several ho-tels and boarding houses, a brewery

and a bowling alley all appearing to meet the demands of the particular class of people that are usually found

in such places. Twenty years ago a

flood came; and in a day the whole city was wiped out. The main ore body dwindled and finally disappeared! in-

terest lagged and finally the smelter was closed, never again to resume op-erations. The railroad, and smelter

were finally torn up and sold for scrap iron, and all that was left of the camp

was an old coke oven as a monument;

\$1,700,000 had been expended in financing the enterprise and all that was ever realized was a little over \$375,000,

only one car of bullion ever having been shipped over the railroad. It

been shipped over the railroad. It must be borne in mind, however, that

this stupendous failure was due to no

lack of merit in the property, but rather to a lack of executive ability and

GEOLOGICAL FORMATION.

Geologically, American Fork resem-

bles the Alta and Park City sections There are few limes and quartzites and

the granite zone appears very near the surface. The upper line resembles closely that of Alta, but the quartzite is much harder. The whole formation is rather flat in comparison with that of other districts, the dip averages about 20 degrees. First comes a cap-ping of blue lime 90 feet in thickness;

ping of blue lime 99 feet in thickness; then another of the same extent after which comes a quartzite zone, a thin shale and granite. Running nearly north and south are a series of porphyry intrusions intersected by cross fissures. The pay ore, usually a carbonate, is found in the upper lime; but

below this, in the shale and quartzite, appears the sulphides which however,

are not ordinarily in paying quantities

being sillcious and impregrated with much zinc. There true value is never-theless open to deeper investigation, as

no systematic working has ever been

undertaken in the shale and quart-

A re-awakening has taken place in

American Fork canyon; and once again popular interest is causing many to invest their money there. Within the last half dozen years fortunes have

been made; many times the amount originally taken from the district, have

been shipped, and altogether a mild boom is astir. Some of the principal properties may well be considered. THE DUTCHMAN MINE.

The Dutchman mine on Milley Hill, has been a small producer and prob-ably the most extensively worked mine

in the district. Its discovery is reported to have been wholly accidental; a

traveler's horse stumbled and exposed

The property has been opened up by a main tunnel, 1,200 feet in length and much drifting and stoping has been done. The tunnel, however, being too

low for the carbonales and too high for the sulphides has been abandoned, though just above it, leasers are fol-

lowing a promising stringer of good ore and have a good showing. It is the intention of the company to sink a 700-foot shaft which, it is expected, will intersect a large vein of zinc. Work will begin in this direction the first part of the season.

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The writer is informed by Dr. W. J. Holden of Cleveland, Ohio, who controls the property, that the mine is at present producing a high grade of Carbonate ore, which assays 16 ounces of silver, and from 30 to 40 per cent of lead with some copper and gold. The mine constantly employs eight men, and in view of the fact that it is 2,500 feet lower than the Miller mine—in fact the most accessible of all the

in fact the most accessible of all the

canyon properties—and has produced practically since June, 1907 a thousand tons of ore, worth in the aggregate, \$40,000, it is confidently expected that it will become a big producer.

THE BOG MINE.

Near the smelter a town sprang up

expenditures.

Many Utah camps have gone through

mountain at the east.

AMERICAN FORK CANYON.

The Bog Mine.

worked, they studied while the public located 21% miles up the canyon from passed the matter by.

For the past 30 years work has been carried on in the canyon, but only in American Fork; and adjoins Mineral Flat, the Knight property, still further onward. "The Bog" consists of 18 claims, 10 of which have been patenta disinterested fashion by small oper-ators and leasers, who were encouraged by only a few unimportant shipments. claims, 10 of which have been patented; and in every respect it seems to
be the intention of the company to
make a mine. In fact the mine is some,
what noted for the fine specimens
which are highly mineralized and some
of the best in the state. Assays have
been made as high as 15 hundred It is needless to say, therefore, that the condition of the district now is a great LOCATION OF DISTRICT. The mining district lies along the

ounces in silver with practically pure lead and zinc. Of course the property is comparatively new, but despite this fact, shipments have been made and the only requisite now is such a show-ing as will assure steady production. The main tunnel has been driven for a distance of 300 feet, stringers having been followed along the entire distance and high grade ore discovered. Eighty-five feet from the tunnel portal a cross cut as been run with good indications,

in fact with better than any previous showings. Taken all in all The Bog mine is very encouraging to the owners, among whom should first be mentioned Dr. Holden and his son

Harry.

THE WYOMING MINE. The Tyng lease of the Wyoming mine has been the sensation of the camp. The property is located directly on top of Miller Hill. For the past two years it has been a steady producer, the ore being a good carbonate averaging \$67 to the top and containing from in such to the ton and containing iron in such amount as to make it desirable for use

amount as to make it desirable for use by the smelters.

The property is opened by four tunnels only one of which is now in use. In this main tunnel great quantities of carbonates have been encountered and extracted with all available speed.

The Alsovary of the "Wyoming" was

The discovery of the "Wyoming" was singular. The tunnel was driven, as was afterwards seen, just above the ore; in placing a tie a miner removed a characteristic hard rib and struck his pick into the soft carbonates. Since that moment, the company has always that moment, the company has always had paying ore in sight, and as the property was under lease, record breaking speed was used in extracting the mineral. For over the breaking speed was used in extracting the mineral. For over two years the average output was seven, 50-ton cars per week, in the hauling of which down the canyon 57 teams were used. Francis and Charles Tyng were the lucky owners of the lease which has left them both of independent means.

THE PACIFIC MINE.

The Pacific mine, locally known as the "Blue Rock group," is among the favorable prospects of the camp. It is located on the east side of the hill be-low the Wyoming, and comprises five patented claims and four unpatented, the whole being developed by about 8,500 feet of workings. Four men are constantly employed; and the cost of developing has already amounted to

A strike has recently been made in shipment which assays 45 per cent lead and 64 ounces of silver. In fact a fine galena ore body has been encountered; gatena ore body has been encountered; and there are large resources of silver, gold, lead and zinc ore in sight. This fine showing may alter the plans of the company which had intended to con-strct, at the mine, a mill to handle the low grade ore that has heretofore been produced.

Much money has been spent on the Pacific; yet it is the determination of the company to make a mine. J. L. Craig joint freight agent of the Salt Lake Route and the O. S. L. railroad, is president of the company; C. M. Beek is vice president; H. C. Johnson of American Fork is secretary and treasurer and these with A. B. Stevenson and J. F. Crompton compose the directorate. The capital stock is \$200,-000.

THE MERRILL GROUP.

The Merrill group of claims in Mary Ellen gulch, owned by a Sait Lake company, is being operated under a bond and lease by American Fork peo-ple, among whom may be mentioned H. D. Boley, John Cleghorn, Ned Wild and D. Boley, John Clegnorn, Ned Wild and H. C. Johnson. At present the lessecs are working a force of three shifts to determine whether a recently discov-ered showing is only a surface strike No end of excitement has been caused and indeed when the lessees set on sale 100,000 shares of stock it was subscribed for in a very short time. It appears from the reports of those who have visited the mine, that the company has struck one of the biggest surface showings ever seen in the canyon. The ore is in a ledge of lime about 20 feet wide and carries exceptionally good wide and carries exceptionally good values. One sample which represented an average of the whole vein assayed \$50 in lead, silver and copper. Picked samples ran as high as \$1,500 in value. The Merrill group, which joins the Live Yankee, was one of the big pro-ducers in the early days of American Fork canyon.

THE LIVE YANKEE.

The Live Yankee mine, which is operated by a company consisting mostly of those who least the Merrili group, is producing some good ore, there being on the dump at the present writing, 300 sacks of ore which will assay from \$20 to \$75 per top in gold silversered. \$20 to \$75 per ton in gold, silver and

MINERAL FLAT.

Probably the most active mining property in the district at the present time is the Mineral Flat mine, which is owned by Uncle Jesse Knight the "Tintic Wizard." A tunnel it under way which will, it is hoped, top at a thousand foot depth, a lead silver vein. The tunnel itself is the largest in the district and will undoubtedly be of great service in develority the be of great service in developing the hundred or more claims which the Knight company has acquired .

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At the present time, the company is engaged in building a power plant near the property, to furnish power for a large compressor which is being installed. The plans for the new plant include a dam, Pelton wheel, a compressor, a complete battery pipe line from the power plant to the mouth of the tunnel. The total cost will be about \$10,000. The power will be used not only for the Mineral Flat property but also for the developing

_____ feet from the present working of the Mineral Flat company. The compressor will be set in a suitable building below the dam, and air will be conveyed to the mine by a pipe line, arrangements have been made for placing a dynamo in the building to furnish power and lights to the mine, but this feature will be added after the compressor is installed and the machine drills are in operation. The flow from American Fork creek will assure the company of at least 100 horsepower at the new plant, and more at certain seasons. Two carloads of the necessary machinery have already arrived and many local people have been employed in carrying it up the canyon. No power will be sold to adjoining properties as the Mineral Flat will have need of it all. feet from the present working of the

MAJOR EVANS. Another prominent group of claims which has passed into the control of the Knight people is the Major Evan's

the Knight people is the Major Evan's mine, in Major Evan's guitch, Much money was made here in the early days; and no doubt the claim is considered second to the Mineral Flat holding.
THE MILLER MINE. About 30 men are employed by the

lessees, Taylor and Brunton, in working the old Miller mine, which was recently given up by Tyng brothers on account of the excessive royalty exacted by the Miller company, which is controlled by the Aspenwalls of New York. While the Tyng brothers had it, the mine produced about \$1,-000,000 and the supply seems to be far from exhausted.

THE TEXAN.

The Texan mine, also controlled by Tyng brothers, is considered one of the bost equipped mines in the district, as the equipment used in operating the Miller lease, including a boarding house, ore bins, ore chutes, etc., is now transferred to the Texan, at which six

men are employed. The Mountain Dell mine is now employing 1 0men under the direction of Tracy Wooton: and as some very fine ore has already been shipped, a great future is predicted for the claim.

The Cumberland Mining company is operating on new ground, which it recently acquired and in which it is expected some good ore bodies will be en-countered. D. C. Hanks, who has spent many years in the American Fork district, is one of the most competent men in the vicinity.

The Mill Canyon Mining company is

being operated under the direction of Amos Thornton, the president of the company. A tunnel is being run with the hope of tapping an ore-bearing fisure at adepth of 300 feet.

BURGESS MINE SOLD. On Nov. 20, Thomas Homer of Salt Lake City purchased the Burgess Minining company's ground, which includes one of the most promising groups of erty is located at the head of Deer creek in the Silver Lake district. A good vein carrying lead, copper and silver ore was recently opened by the Burgess company, and it will be fur-ther developed by the new owners.
"The Deer Creek Mining & Milling Company" is the new name under which the mine will be operated. The whole project is backed by eastern ca-pitalists, who predict that another li-vidend-paying mine will soon be added to those already in the American Fork district.

THE STEELE COMPANY.

The Steele Mining company, which is being operated under the direction of Dick Steele, has already discovered of Dick Steele, has already discovered same very fine surface ore, and is following a small vein in the hope of finding something larger.

The Whirlwind mine is at present employing five men and is within a few feet of the ore body of the Dutchman Wild, which it adjoins.

THE MARY ELLEN.

The Mary Ellen Mining & Milling company, which is managed by Bob Warren, is one of the best financed mines in the district; it has ground near Miller Hill and has found many good indications. Three or four men are employed are employed.

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The milkmaid lease on the old milkmaid mine is being operated by Anderson of Sandy, and though only four men are employed, a small amount of rich ore is being extracted which is netting the lessees a small fortune. Much fine ore was taken from this mine in early days; and it is confidently believed that the reviving will be still more surprising.

The Wasatch King Mining company is working three men under the direction of John Armstrong.

THE HAZEL GROUP.

H. L. Christy has about half a dozen men employed on the Hazel group and great headway is being made in development work. The mine is very encouraging to the owners, most of whom are American Fork men.

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The Lone Pine mine has an excellent

for some unaccountable reason is not being worked. It is owned by the Boley people of Salt Lake and though many attempts have been made to lease the property, the efforts have, so far been in vain.

far been in vain.

The Silver Flat Milling & Mining company, which owns the old Nebraska, is employing six men in the making of a tunnel with the hope of striking the old workings at a depth of some 500 feet. This mine will very likely be a copper producer.

THE SUNDAY MINE.

The Sunday mine, owned by Salt Lake people, is being operated under the direction of George Harkins. The the direction of George Harkins. The mine has the reputation of containing the richest ore in the canyon. Some fine specimens are on display in the Bank of American Fork window. The ore recalls the early history of this property, when gold was discovered so rich that it was transported from the canyon by an armed guard. The present company began working several months ago for the lost ore body; and its success so far is more than satisfying. The owners have a good shipment of ore on the dump now awaiting the ore haulers, who are not very plentiful just now.

The ore now sacked was taken from what appears to be a permanent fissure vain. It has been followed reactions. THE BOG MINE.

The Bog Mine, so called from the boggy ground on which it is situated (a formation due to an excess of iron on the surface and a water seepage from the porphyry) is one of the most promising mines of the district. It is

feet, and while the ore streak varies, it has been a paying proposition from the start. The ore carries from 400 to 1,200 ounces of silver and from \$40 to \$130 in gold. M. Dusseldorf, manager of the company, has made arrange-ments to have the ore hauled speedily. He has strong hopes of yet finding the sensational ore valuese that made the mine famous in early days. John Mc-Togue has the contract to do the ore hauling.

hauling. THE SIGNET MINING CO.

The Signet mining property, owned by Salt Lake people, is not being worked actively at present, though it is the intention of the company to begin more extensive operations at once. The Osborne Consolidated is idle, though S. Osborne of Chicago, the owner, expects to commence activity

owner, expects to commence activity at once.

The Camp Bird has discovered some good iron croppings which it is believed will terminate in some high grade carbonate ore. The mine is owned by the Jones people of Salt.

The Triple Yink Mining company is the any mine under active operation. the only mine under active operation in the South fork of American Fork canyon. A small force of men is constantly employed.

THE SURPRISE LEASE. The Surprise Lease which was idle

for some time on account of a legal action, is again shipping ore much to the satisfaction of a large number of American Fork people who are heavily interested and who have known that paying ore is in sight. THE COMSTOCK.

The Comstock, which lies close to the Lone Pine, is now working in some very fine mineral ground known as the Lone Pine vein. Five men, under the direction of Alma Reese, are constanty working with the hope of finding rich

The American Fork Consolidated is working a force of eight men under John Armstrong. It is a new company. The Clipper and Silver King is being worked under the direction of James Crystal, who hopes to tap a small vein of ore at a short depth.

THE FUTURE OF THE CAMP.

As a mining camp American Fork is considered the poor man's country, for land that can now be purchased for \$25 or \$30 will eventually, perhaps, be worth as many thousands

Dr. Holden says that there is twice the activity in the camp that there was last year; hundreds of men are employed in the mines; and nearly every available team in the neighborhood of American Fork finds ready employment.

Much credit for the present prosperity is due to the Tyng brothers and to "Uncle" Jesse Knight, the latter being regarded as a general benefactor. He has spent \$10,000 in the installing of his electric plant at Mineral Hill; and in many ways has given American Fork a share of the general fair dealings for which he is noted.

The future of the camp necessarily depends upon the nature and the extent of the development work done. At present the camp is making "rapid strides, much as this might be denied by men who have given the field only a cursory visit. Everyone in American Fork is talking mines and two Salt Lake brokerage companies—Child, Cole & Co., and and R. K. Cobb & Co.,—have local branch offices installed within the last few months. George E. Hemphill has charge of the Cobb com pany's office and Randolph and Dunk ley represent Child, Cole & Co. All of these are efficient men who under-stand local conditions perfectly and can give a service that connects instantaneously with the Salt Lake Mining exchange.

MORE CAPITAL NEEDED. Of course the greatest need of American Fork canyon at present is outside capital and new energy. Mention has been made of the fact that a new railroad up the canyon is contem-plated, options on the wagonroad hav-

ing already been obtained. In this connection it may be well to mention one of the aggravating incidents of a visit to the canyon. The toll road, which is regarded as an emblem of antiquity in the midst of the modern west! It wouldn't be so annoying, it is claimed, if the road were in any sense a good one; but many a canyon in Utah has a road far superior and yet entirely free to the public. People regard the toll road as an injustice both to the visiting public and to the miners themselves. brothers and other men who have oc-casion to hire many teams, are paying the toll company under protest with the intention of filing suit. The Tyng property alone has contributed about \$2,000 to this farce.

Unfortunately the sulphide zone has

never been thoroughly explored in the canyon, and until this is done, the true merits of the district will be largely unknown, though enough is being done with the carbonates to warrant an activity comparable only with that of Tintic and Park City. Many people, as Dr. Holden says, believe that American Fork will eventually equal the Park in mining importance, but of course, like most mining prophesies, is conjecture.

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The zinc content of the sulphides has so far been somewhat disappointing, but on account of the superficial exploration made in this zone, this fact may give way to a pleasing surprise in the future.

SPECULATORS ON GROUND.

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Of course, as is true with most new
mining districts, there are lounging
about American Fork canyon, numerous "ground hogs" and "dead heads"
who snatch up new ground with the
sole purpose of holding it, without
development, until increased prices
and contiguous work warrants them
in disposing of their claims. The
ground thus taken up has been open for in disposing of their claims. The ground thus taken up has been open for years; and the men that grab it can be considered only as mining parasites!

Everyone who goes to American Fork canyon comes away agreeably surprised for the development in the last year has been rapid indeed. A green way has been rapid indeed. year has been rapid, indeed. A great future is opening up for the district, and the fortunate city will reap the benefits of the investment of capital in its mines.

its mines. THE SHEEP INDUSTRY.

THE SHEEP INDUSTRY.

Though of course at present mining occupies by far the most attention of American Fork's citizens, the sheep industry deserves creditable mention. There are more than 100,000 sheep near American Fork, the annual wool clip amounting to about 800,000, which nets the owners about \$160,000. About 20,000 lambs are shipped to eastern markets. lambs are shipped to eastern markets each year, which bring about \$5 per head, the price varying of course, acnead, the price varying of course, according to market conditions. Thomas Chipman, Deck and Alvin Adams, William Grant, John W. Chipman, Thomas Singleton, Boise Wells, and William Roberts are all prominent sheep men, who own their own grazing grounds.

The Boley brothers, Thomas B. Parker, Robert Procter, the Smith Brothers, Jesse Green, William E. Robinson, Washburn Chipman, Henry Chipman and William W. Hunter are among the many cattlemen of American Fork. In fact, Utah county is noted for its fine grade of cattle and sheep.

STATE EXPERIMENT FARM. A state experiment farm consisting of 80 acres, has been established on American Fork ground. Tomatoes, fruit, melons, grain and other pro-

ducts are under investigation.

Near American Fork, thousands of feet of timber is on sale by the forest service, and saw mills are running it out at \$22.50 per 1,000 feet. Two transcontinental railways go

through American Fork and afford every opportunity for the city's further advancement. The city is already considered a fine residence town; and there is every chance for work, education and amusement.

A city ball has just been residence. A city hall has just been completed at a cost of \$9,000; and with the city jail, it is constructed on strictly mod-

ern plans with up-to-date conveni-ences. The jail alone cost \$3,000. FIVE CHURCHES.

There are five churches in the city—four Latter-day Saint and one Presbyterian. All four of the Mormon churches are fine structures, which were dedicated in 1906. They each cost \$8,000.

FISHING AND HUNTING. The people of American Fork are much favored when it comes to naturat attractions. In Utah lake are cat fish, mullet, carp, bass, chub and herring; in American Fork creek are trout; and in the mountains are quall,

grouse and some bear.

Taking everything into consideration American Fork is one of the most progressive, as well as one of the most attractive cities in the whole west. He who desires to know more of its varied attractions and resources can receive the information he desires by writing any of the companies whose cards appear herewith or by writing to the president of the com-

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